Local Health Department

Michigan law requires laboratories to report all hepatitis B surface antigen-positive (HBsAg-positive) results within 24 hours to the local health department in the county where the patient resides.

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Hepatitis B surface antigen-positive (HBsAg-positive) result

Please provide a copy of the actual HBsAg-positive lab report with this completed form.

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Michigan's Communicable Disease Rules, Section 333.5111, Act No. 368, Public Acts of 1978, as amended in R325.171, R325.172, and R325.173. In R325.173, Rule3 (5), a clinical laboratory shall report, within 24 hours of discovery, both of the following to the appropriate local health department: (a) Laboratory evidence of any serious infection specified in R325.172 except for human immunodeficiency virus which is governed by MCL 333.5114. (b) Laboratory evidence of any other disease, infection or condition that is judged by the laboratory director to indicate that the health of the public is threatened.

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